CHARGING IN BACK-TO-BACK IS HOW THEY FIGHT.
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-ROAR OF DRAGON-
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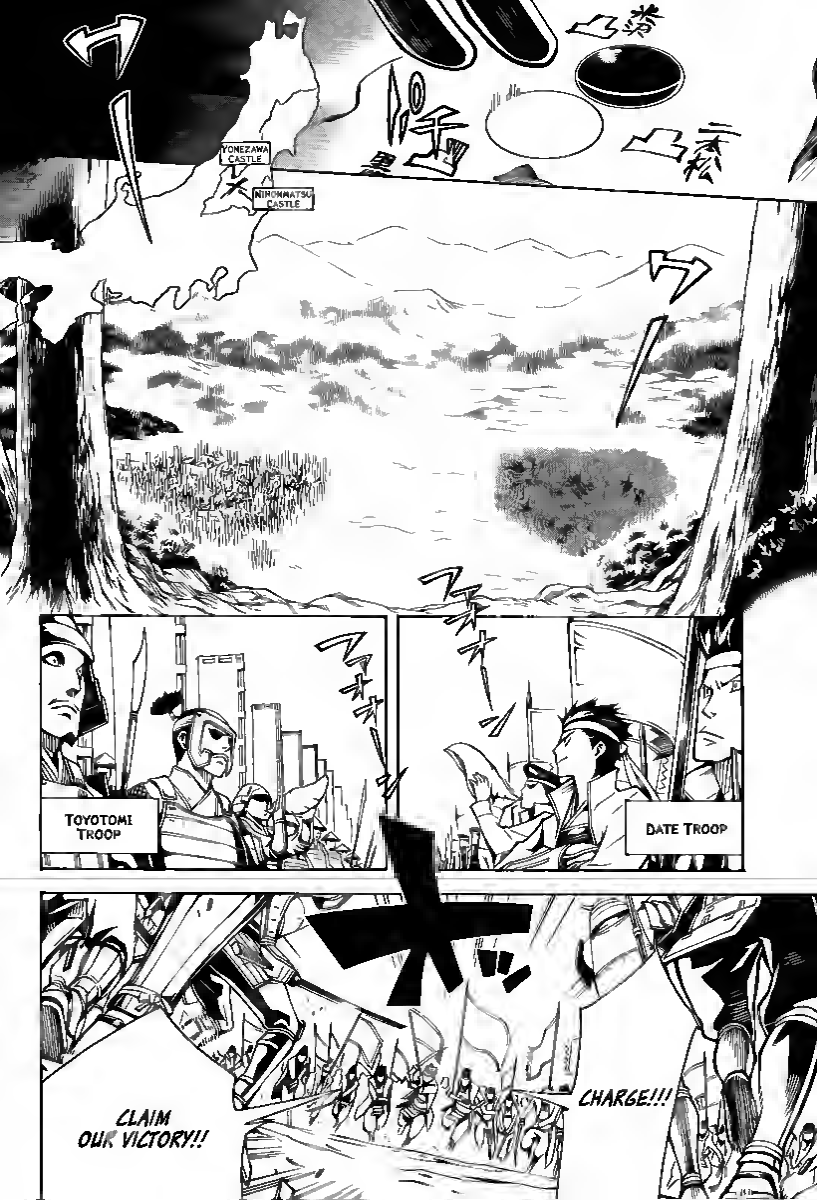
CHAPTER 2 "THE DRAGON'S RIGHT EYE"

MOURI MOTONARI
UESUGI KENSHIN
CHOUSOKABE MOTOCHIKA
TAKEDA SHINGEN
RIVALRY RAGES BETWEEN LANDLORDS!!
TOYO-TOMI BASE
OSAKA CASTLE
THE LAST BATTLE LAYS THE FOUNDATION FOR THE NEXT BATTLE ..
WHAT SHALL YOUR NEXT MOVE BE THEN
MASAMUNE-KUN?
STRATEGIST OF TOYOTOMI
TAKENAKA HANBEI


YONEZAWA CASTLE
NIHONMATSU CASTLE
TOYOTOMI TROOP
DATE TROOP
CLAIM OUR VICTORY!!
CHARGE!!!

CRAZY STORM!!
S-SIX-CLAWED SWORDS,
A CRESCENT-SHAPED CREST,
AND AN EYE PATCH
YOU GUYS MAY BE CUTE,
BUT OUR VANGUARD WON'T GO EASY ON YOU

THE ONE-EYED DRAGON,
DATE MASAMUNE,
HA!
HAS ARRIVED.
LEADER OF DATE TROOP
DATE MASAMUNE
KUH...
CHARGE!
ONE-EYED DRAGON!!!
PREPARE YOURSELF,

KASUMIDAN-
GETSU
HAZY CRESCENT
HUH?
AREN'T YOU
GOING TO GUARD
MY BACK,
KOJUUROU?
YOUR
REAR WAS
WIDE OPEN,
MASAMI-
UNE-SAMA
PLEASE
BE ON
YOUR
GUARD
HAVE
MORE SPIRIT,
GUYS!!
SIR!!!

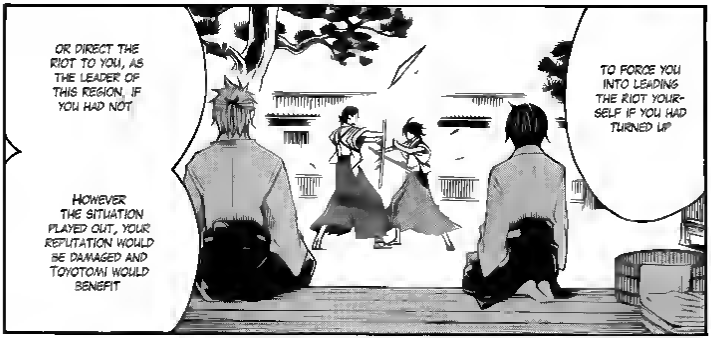
All right
I, KOJUUROU, WILL BE THE ONE TO PROTECT YOUR REAR.
CERTAINLY
STRATEGIST OF DATE TROOP
KATAKURA KOJUUROU
Here We Go!!
OOOOH!!

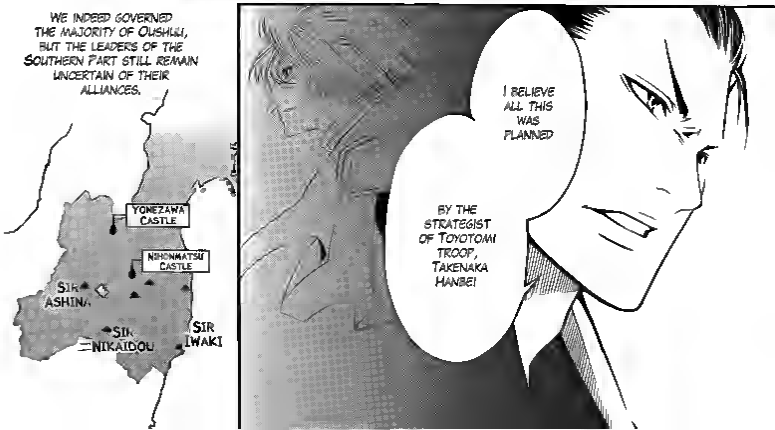
SIR.
BOOST YOUR MORALE AND KEEP UP WITH ME, KOJUUROU
HOW STRONG.
THE MAN DEEMED THE DRAGON OF OUSHUU, DATE MASAMUNE,
AND THE DRAGON'S RIGHT EYE.. HIS CONFIDANT, KATAKURA KO-JUUROU
HOW SHOULD I SAY IT..?
THEIR BOND AS LEADER AND FOLLOWER IS TIGHTER THAN ANYTHING IMAGINABLE
KOJUUROU-DONO IS ALREADY PROTECTING DATE-DONO'S BACK.

Speaking of battle,
Did you hear about the battle in the Northern Region?
What about it?
I've heard that his people have strong faith in him.
But he's never lost a battle.
Isn't it more like Kojuuro-dono has no choice but to tag along?
The general himself standing in the front line like that
Several days later
Base of Date troop
Yonezawa Castle

YOU HEARD 'BOUT THAT, KOJIJIROU?

'BOUT THE RECENT RIOT IN NORTHERN OUSHUU
LOOKS LIKE THEY ENDED UP SEEING ME AS THEIR LEADER.
THOSE TOYOTOMI SOLDIERS PROBABLY ATTACKED
THE FARMING VILLAGE IN ORDER TO PROVOKE THE RIOT


TO FORCE YOU INTO LEADING THE RIOT YOURSELF IF YOU HAD TURNED UP
OR DIRECT THE RIOT TO YOU, AS THE LEADER OF THIS REGION, IF YOU HAD NOT
HOWEVER THE SITUATION PLAYED OUT, YOUR REPUTATION WOULD BE DAMAGED AND TOYOTOMI WOULD BENEFIT


I BELIEVE ALL THIS WAS PLANNED
BY THE STRATEGIST OF TOYOTOMI TROOP, TAKENAKA HANBEI
WE INDEED GOVERNED THE MAJORITY OF OUSHUU, BUT THE LEADERS OF THE SOUTHERN PART STILL REMAIN UNCERTAIN OF THEIR ALLIANCES.
YONEZAWA CASTLE
NIHONMATSU CASTLE
SIR ASHINA
SIR NIKAIDOU
SIR IWAKI

There you are Masamune-sama. How energetic of you, to practice swordplay so soon after returning from the battle.
If word that Masamune-sama was leading the riot were spread to that region...
We congratulate you on your victory at the battle of Nihonmatsu castle.
Actually...
Speak of the devil..
The generals of southern Oushuu. Ashina, Nikaidou, Iwaki hm.?
Huh?
We've come today to ask Masamune-sama for a favor.

WE WOULD LIKE
TO ASK YOU TO TAKE OUR SOLDIERS
TO FIGHT AT YOUR SIDE IN THE UPCOMING BATTLE.
THEY CERTAINLY WOULD LIKE A CLOSER VIEW OF YOUR STRONG SPIRIT...
WE CAN'T POSSIBLY ALLOW PEOPLE WE CAN'T TRUST TO FIGHT BESIDE MASAMUNE-SAMA.
I THANK YOU. BUT WE CAN'T POSSIBLY-
OK
BUT THEY HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES
MASAMUNE-SAMA.
DON'T WORRY, KOJUUROU

No one in Ouchuu is going to fall for that stupid rumor
and side with Toyotomi
Nothing is certain in this chaotic world
Information, subordinates, country, civilians,
Even your own family could turn against you within a night.
If I were to be suspicious, there'd be no end to my suspicion
So, I decided
If you trust people and take them under your wing,
they might end up breaking those wings.

TO TRUST YOU.
I'VE BEEN CARRYING THE WHOLE OF OUSHUU ALL THIS TIME.
WHY SUSPECT THEM NOW, ANYWAY?
NO OBJECTION, RIGHT?
KOJUUROU
CERTAINLY NOT, SIR.
OUR DEEPEST GRATITUDE.
MASAMUNE-SAMA.
THE TOYOTOMI TROOP IS ON THE MOVE!!

HA !
Are you ready guys ?
THEY'VE MADE A BATTLE FORMATION AT HITOTORI BRIDGE!!
SIR!!
HITOTORI BRIDGE
LISTEN DATE MASAMUNE IS THE MAN
WITH THE CRESCENT-SHAPED CREST AND EYE PATCH.
IF WE PRESENT THAT MAN'S HEAD, OUR PROMOTION TO RETAINERS WILL NO LONGER BE JUST A DREAM.

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HELL DRAGON!!
THE ONE-EYED DRAGON, DATE MASAMUNE, IS HERE
THE CRESCENT-SHAPED CREST AND THE EYE PATCH!!
ALL SOLDIERS ASSEMBLE!!
WHOOPS, EXCUSE ME FOR BARGING IN WITHOUT KNOCKING FIRST

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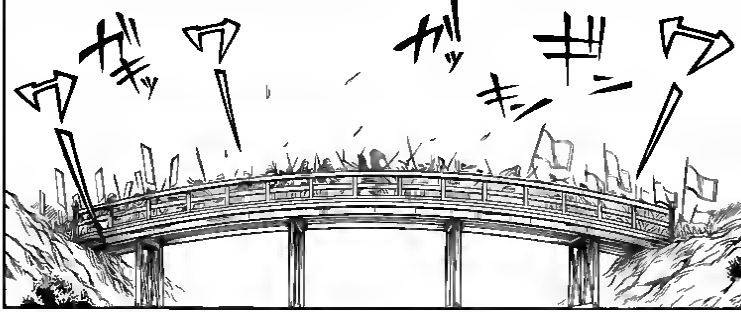
GEKKOU.
MOONLIGHT
WA KOJUUROU-SAMA!!
BOBB!!
BOBB!!
OCH!
NEAR MASAMUNE-SAMA.
I WILL NOT LET ANY OF YOU
HA!
HERE WE
GO!!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WHAT'RE THEY DOING BELOW THE BRIDGE...?

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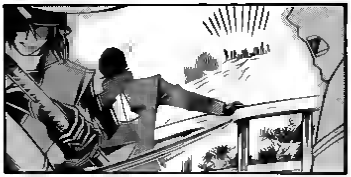
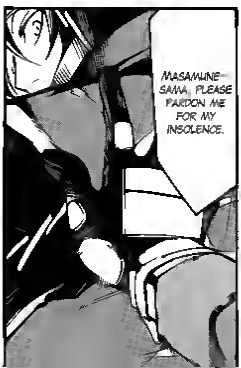
THE SOUTHERN OUSHUU SOLDIERS ARE GONE.

MASAMUNE SAMA, PLEASE REFRAIN FROM TAKING ANY RECKLESS ACTION
MAN, I'M TIRED OF THAT SAME OLD LECTURE.




MASAMUNE-SAMA, PLEASE PARDON ME FOR MY INSOLENCE.

ALL OF YOU, GET AWAY FROM THE BRIDGE!!
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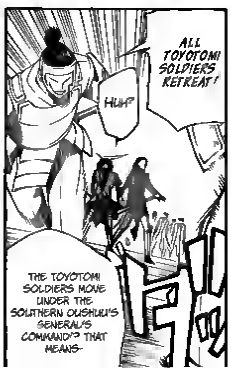
ALL TOYOTOMI SOLDIERS RETREAT!
HUH?
THE TOYOTOMI SOLDIERS MOVE UNDER THE SOUTHERN OUSHUU'S GENERAL'S COMMAND? THAT MEANS-
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KO-JUUK-OU!!
KOJUUROU, ALL OF YOU, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT !!?
MY INJURIES ARE NOT TOO SEVERE
WHAT ABOUT YOU, MASAMUNE-SAMA!?
WE'RE FINE AS WELL.
MASAMUNE SAMA, THE TOYOTOMI TROOP AND SOUTHERN OUCHI-AI GENERALS ARE...
KUKUKU.
HE SUCCEEDED IN MINIMIZING THE DAMAGE. I WOULD EXPECT NO LESS FROM THE DRAGON'S RIGHT EYE.
HOWEVER, HIS LOYALTY TO HIS GENERAL HAS BECOME A HANDICAP...
KATAKURA CAN NO LONGER MOVE FREELY
WE, THE GENERALS OF SOUTHERN OUSHUU,
HEREBY ANNOUNCE OUR ALLIANCE TO LORD TOYOTOMI.

WE DON'T NEED SUCH WEAK LEADERS IN OUSHUU.
LEADING CIVILIANS TO PICK UP WEAPONS AND FIGHT....
IS THAT THE POLICY YOU CREATED BECAUSE YOU DON'T THINK YOUR MILITARY FORCE CAN WIN AGAINST THE TOYOTOMIS?
LEADERS WHO JUST BLINDLY BELIEVE IN THEIR SUBORDINATES ARE NO MORE THAN DIRT IN THIS TUMULTUOUS WORLD.
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BENEFITS AND STRENGTH ARE ALL THAT MATTER!! UNREWARDED DEVOTION IS WORTH NOTHING!!
YOU GEEZERS!
IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH ME, THEN COME AT ME, NOT MY SUBORDINATES

IF WE PRESENT THE ONE-EYED DRAGON'S HEAD TO OUR LORD, HE PROMISED TO GIVE US CONTROL OVER OUSHUU.
KUH, NO NEED TO TELL US.
WE, TOGETHER WITH THE TOYOTOMI'S, SHALL TRIUMPH OVER THE ONE-EYED DRAGON!!
DIVISIONS VI TO X, DRAW BACK AND TAKE THE CASTLE DOWN!!
MY HEART IS RIGHT HERE.
YOU GUYS, SHOW THEM OUR SPIRIT
THAT LOT BEHIND CAN STILL FIGHT, RIGHT?
YES, SIR!
WE'LL FIGHT TO THE DEATH
PLEASE COME THIS WAY, MASAMUNE-SAMA. IF YOU STAY HERE, THE TOYOTOMIS WILL-

THAT HEAD IS OURS!
KO-JUUROU,
LOOK AFTER THESE GUYS. I'M WORRIED ABOUT THEM.
HEAD HUNTING!
MASAMUNE-SAMA!!
PLEASE DON'T DO ANYTHING RECKLESS!!
TCH.
HE BIZARRELY RUNS STRAIGHT INTO THE ENEMY, AS ALWAYS.
THAT'S WHY HIS CARETAKER, KATAKURA, NEVER HAS ENOUGH LIVES TO PROTECT HIM.
MASAMUNE-SAMA! WE MUST RETREAT FOR NOW.
YOU'RE THE LEADER OF THIS COUNTRY.
IF ANYTHING HAPPENS TO YOU HERE-
ISN'T THAT EXACTLY THE REASON WHY

THEY SEE ME AS ONLY SAYING THAT I TRUST MY PEOPLE WITHOUT DOING ANYTHING?
AS THE LEADER OF OUSHUU, I WON'T LET ANYONE
DIE-
EVEN IF IT COSTS ME MY LIFE.
BOSS
YOU WITH-DRAW THEN, KO-JUUKOU!!

I'M THEIR TARGET.
I'LL GO ALONE FROM HERE.
MASAMUNE-SAMA, ONCE AGAIN, PLEASE PARDON ME FOR MY INSOLENCE.
HUH?
!!?
KO-KOJUUR-OU!!
THE ONE-EYED DRAGON. WHERE DID HE GO?

KOJUUROU, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
WE CAN STAY SAFE BEHIND THE TREES AND SOLDIERS HERE FOR A SHORT WHILE.
HAHA!
I NEVER ASKED FOR THAT.
EVEN IF WE WIN THIS BATTLE, WE WON'T BE ABLE TO HOLD OUR ARMY TOGETHER IF THEY SUCCEED IN BRINGING DOWN OUR CASTLE.
YOU SHOULD WITHDRAW AND HEAD BACK.
PLEASE TAKE YOUR HELMET OFF, MASAMUNE-SAMA
.....
IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN YOU HEAD BACK TO THE CASTLE
MASAMUNE-SAMA,
PLEASE ALLOW ME TO TAKE CARE OF THIS PLACE.

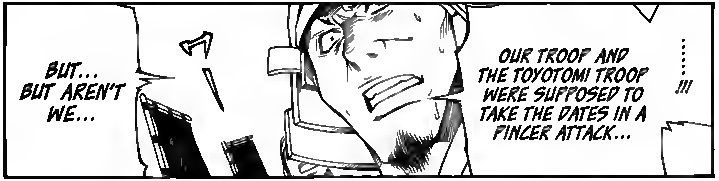
I'LL TAKE CARE OF THIS PLACE MYSELF
YOU'RE THE LEADER OF THE LAND OF OUSHUU.
DID YOU NOT VOW TO CREATE A WORLD WHERE EVERYONE CAN LIVE TOGETHER HAPPILY?
YOU'RE CARRYING THE DREAMS OF CIVILIANS, THE LIVES OF SOLDIERS, AND THE FUTURE OF NOT JUST OUSHUU, BUT THE WHOLE OF JAPAN.
I'M WILLING TO RISK MY LIFE IF IT MEANS I CAN PROTECT YOU

THE DRAGON'S RIGHT EYE
SERVES ALONGSIDE YOU TO MAKE THAT DREAM A REALITY.
PLEASE BELIEVE IN THIS SOLDIER,
AND ENTRUST THIS PLACE TO ME.
WHO ELSE CAN I BELIEVE IF NOT YOU?

KOJUUROU,
DON'T HEAT UP TOO MUCH ALL RIGHT?
KEEP IT COOL.
……!!
SIR!!
I DON'T SEE THE ONE-EYED DRAGON.
WHERE IS HE...?
!?
BUT... FROM THE WAY YOU SPEAK, YOU SOUND LIKE YOU HAVE A PLAN IN MIND, NO?
THE ENEMIES SEEM TO ONLY RECOGNIZE YOUR FEATURES.
WE CAN USE THAT.
WHERE'S DATE MASAMUNE?
FIND THE MAN WITH THE EYE PATCH!

I AM
DATE MASAMUNE!!!
COME AND TAKE MY HEAD IF YOU CAN!!
WHAT!!?
THERE'S A MAN WITH AN EYE PATCH - THE ONE-EYED DRAGON.
IF WE GET HIS HEAD, WE'LL BE FAMOUS.
WHAT, KATAKURA!?
WHAT'S HE PLANNING?

!??
COME AND TAKE MY HEAD IF YOU CAN!!
THE ONE-EYED DRAGON!? THERE HE IS! GET HIM!
I AM DATE MASAMUNE!!!
!?
A MAN WITH AN EYE PATCH


BUT... BUT AREN'T WE...
OUR TROOP AND THE TOYOTOMI TROOP WERE SUPPOSED TO TAKE THE DATES IN A PINCER ATTACK...
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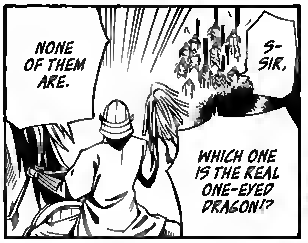
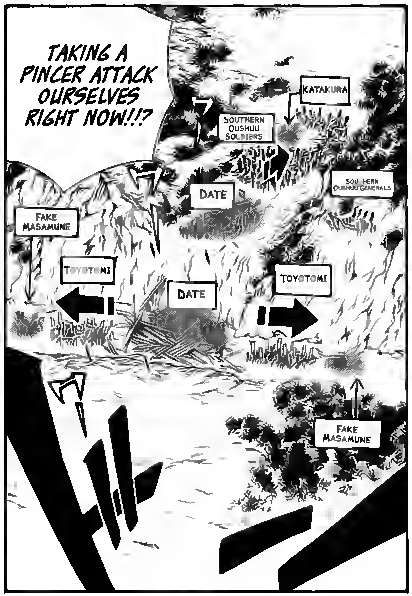
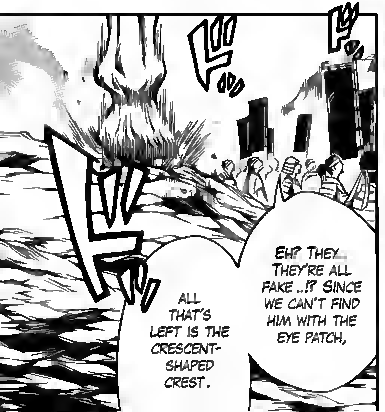
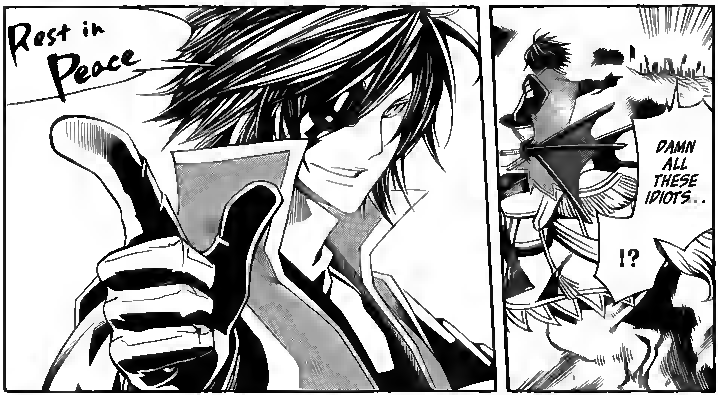
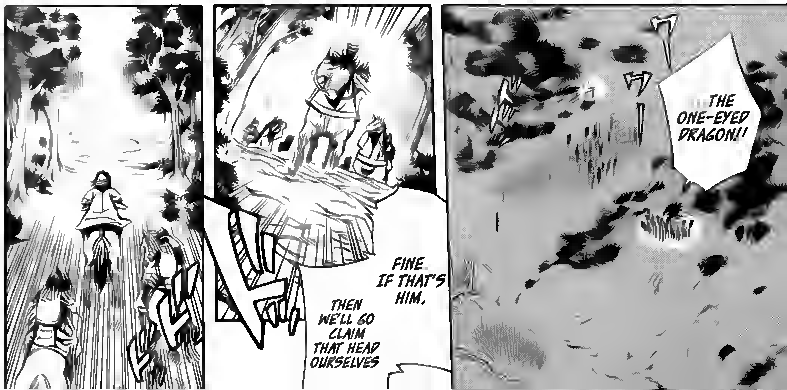

NONE OF THEM ARE.
S-SIR.
WHICH ONE IS THE REAL ONE-EYED DRAGON!?


TAKING A PINCER ATTACK OURSELVES RIGHT NOW!!?
KATAKURA
SOUTHERN OUSHUU SOLDIERS
SOUTHERN OUSHUU GENERALS
DATE
FAKE MASAMUNE
TOYOTOMI
DATE
TOYOTOMI
FAKE MASAMUNE


EH? THEY THEY'RE ALL FAKE..!? SINCE WE CAN'T FIND HIM WITH THE EYE PATCH,
ALL THAT'S LEFT IS THE CRESCENT-SHAPED CREST.

YOU FOOLS!! THAT'S THE REAL ONE-EYED DRAGON...
NO!!
EH!? WHAT!? HIM?
ANOTHER ONE WITH AN EYE PATCH
WHOA


Rest in Peace
DAMN ALL THESE IDIOTS..
!?


THEN WE'LL GO CLAIM THAT HEAD OURSELVES
FINE IF THAT'S HIM,
THE ONE-EYED DRAGON!!

WHOA.
GWAH, ASHINA-DONO,
HE'S ALL YOURS N-

ASHINA-DONO, WHERE'RE YOU GOING?
IF... IF DATE MASAMUNE ISN'T HERE, THEN THERE'S NO USE BATTLING ANY LONGER.
WE'RE RETREATING!!

TCH.
DAMN THAT ASHINA...
AN ARMY WITHOUT A GENERAL WON'T SCARE ME
WE STILL OUTNUMBER YOUR TROOP.
RETREAT
RETREAT
!
THOSE WHO ACT FOR ADVANTAGES
WILL BECOME ADVANTAGES FOROTHERS

BUT. BUT WHY WOULD YOU, A WARRIOR OF SUCH VALOR,
PROTECT SUCH AN ECCENTRIC LEADER?
YOU COULD'VE SURPASSED HIM EASILY.
IF YOU LET GO OF YOUR LOYALTY, YOU COULD SOAR.. HOW ABOUT YOU... COME WORK UNDER ME? I CAN RECOMMEND YOU TO LORD TOYOTOMI.
HMPH
YOU STILL DON'T GET IT?
I DIDN'T PROTECT HIM.
I, AS WELL AS ALL OUR SOLDIERS...
I WON'T LET ANYONE DIE.
ARE BEING PROTECTED BY HIM.

HE BELIEVES IN ALL OF US, AND TRUSTS US TO PROTECT HIM.
WHEN HE IS THE LEADER, HE HEADS OUT BEFORE ANYONE, RISKING HIS LIFE.
FOR MASAMUNE-SAMA,
WE WILL FIGHT WITHOUT FEAR.
HIS IS THE BACK YOU HAVE POINTED YOUR SWORD AT.
ARE YOU PREPARED NOW...?
NO... A DEAD MAN DOES NOT NEED TO PREPARE.
I'M NOT AS KIND AS MASAMUNE-SAMA IS
LET ME TELL YOU ONE THING.

SOUTHER SOLDIER - WHY... WHY ARE YOU HERE...?

WHAT HAPPENED AT THE HITOTORI BRIDGE...? THE BATTLE CAN'T POSSIBLY BE OVER ALREADY
THE ONE-EYED DRAGON...
DATE MASAMUNE...
IT'S THIS EYE.
ONE THING I FOUND
WHEN I LOST MY RIGHT EYE
IT WATCHES MY BACK
A CERTAINTY IN THIS CHAOTIC WORLD.

I'M NOT CALLED THE RIGHT-EYE
THE "ONE -EYED DRAGON"
ISN'T JUST A SHOW-OFF TITLE.
FOR NOTH-ING.
You See?

穿月
UGACHIZUKI.
(PIERCING MOON)
PLAGUE
STEP
プラグゲームステップ
LV.3

SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING, KOJUUROU!! ALL OF YOU!!
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WHEN THEY JOIN FORCES.
THEIR NUMBERS REALLY DO GROW
BUT
WE'RE NOT DONE YET.
!?
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I DOUBT I CAN BE FORGIVEN FOR ALL THE INSOLENCE
I HAVE SHOWN YOU DURING THIS BATTLE
I, KOJUUROU, SHALL PERFORM HARAKIRI IN APOLOGY...
MASAMUNE-SAMA,
I, KOJUUROU, AM RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL OF THIS!! I SHALL, HERE AND NOW,
IT'S JUST A FRAY THOUGH.
WHOA!
YOU DON'T GET IT?
!?
A TINY CUT
HUH?
MASAMUNE-DONO, YOUR BACK IS INJURED..!!
AND FOLLOW ME, KOJUUROU!
BOOST YOUR MORALE.
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN PROTECT MY BACK.
SIR...!!!

OSAKA CASTLE
FUFU. HOW ENTERTAINING, FOR IT TO GO AS I PLANNED.
IT'S ABOUT TIME, THOUGH, FOR ME TO TAKE OVER THE AREA SURROUNDING THE FIVE HOME PROVINCES.
YOU TWO MUST PERFORM TO MY EXPECTATIONS IN THIS NEXT BATTLE,
THE HEROES OF SENGOKU BEGUN TO SQUIRM...
MITSUNARI-KUN,
IEYASU-KUN.

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